



## New Residence Hall in '89?

by April Page

**FITCHBURG STATE** — The problem of overcrowded student housing may be alleviated by Fall, 1989, if a plan to construct a new residence hall is approved by the Massachusetts State College Building Authority.

Currently, six colleges including Fitchburg State are trying to raise enough money through a private bond allotted by the building authority to construct a residence hall at each school. The other colleges are Bridgewater State, Salem State, Westfield State, Worcester State and Massachusetts College of Art, in Boston.

To qualify for the bond, Fitchburg State must present a feasibility study to the MSCBA by mid-December, according to Vice President of Student Affairs Lon Vickers.

The study must include a potential site, a market analysis and a program of what the college wants.

Vickers said he has had two formal meetings in Boston with the MSCBA and a potential architect, who has presented building plans to FSC.

A severe shortage of on-campus student housing has plagued Fitchburg State recently. According to Vickers, 821 new students applied for on-campus housing this semester. However, only 290 applicants received a room.

Including resident halls and town houses, the college can provide 1,021 beds. However this semester, the college is 88 persons over its limit.

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Strobe Photo by Chris Dunshee

A new dorm on campus would help the overcrowding problems faced by students in Russell Towers and other residence halls.

## Professor Tours Nicaragua

by Valerie Allgrove

Dr. Nancy Weigersma, an economics professor at FSC, visited Nicaragua this August to look at land reform and economics within that country. During her 15 day stay, she was able to observe the political situation there. She compares the situation of Viet Nam with what is currently developing in Nicaragua.

What is now essentially a wartime situation grew out of the revolution of the people against the Somosa government. Dictators from 1939 until their downfall in 1979, the Somosas ran the government as a tool for their personal profit. A primarily socialistic government party, the Sandinistas, is in power now. The Sandinistas are supported by the populace of Nicaragua, but the US government supported the Somosas and now opposes the Sandinistas.

The US blockade of Nicaraguan harbors has made life difficult for the Nicaraguan people. Weigersma spoke of shortages of nearly everything, but emphasized that the scarcest items are pencils and paper. In a country as poor as Nicaragua, where education is so valued and important for advancement; this is a staggering blow.

Certain foods weren't available either. The bulk of even the foreign

visitors' diets was comprised of rice and beans. Salads were also available, but no vegetables were to be found. Bottled drinks, personal goods such as shampoo, and meat supplies are also scarce.

Ironically, the blockade was devised to aid the Contras, a group of guerillas who are trying to overthrow the Sandinistas, by cutting off the flow of weapons into the country. Instead the blockade has largely effected essential supplies to the people, and turned public sentiments away from the US and towards the Soviets.

Weigersma was primarily interest-

ed in land reform in Nicaragua. She defined land reform as the redistribution of resource land (La Reforma Agrícola). When the Somosas were ousted, their properties, consisting of over 20 percent of the country's total land, were seized and are now being used as state farms for the benefit of the people.

New credits, changing who directs ownership of the land is being implemented. Weigersma observed privately owned and operated farms side by side with the state farms. It was this unique combination of economic socialism and private enterprise, which she found most

heartening. Billboards promoting a Soviet historical figure or the power of the people crop up next to advertisements for a restaurant or airline. Opposite a literature campaign in a socialist periodical are ads for local businesses.

Concerning direct Soviet influences on the country, Weigersma stressed that she saw no Russians, although Soviet Bloc members from Bulgaria and Cuba were in evidence. Visible also were Germans, Swiss, French, Spanish...and Americans. In the midst of these hard economic times, where the blockade has stopped the shipment of parts to repair the US-given John Deere tractors, US volunteers are training native mechanics to repair the Soviet tractors that they have.

During Dr. Weigersma's visit, Congress passed a bill allocating 100 million dollars in aid to the Contras. This bill effectively aids the rebels in the fight against a government that she feels the people of Nicaragua are in favor of. Weigersma found this frightening. She draws upon her experiences in Viet Nam in 1972 to draw parallels between the two situations. According to Weigersma the US, in support of the civil war by minorities, is getting involved in a local struggle which could very conceivably escalate into a war, in the same way Viet Nam did.

Dr. Weigersma returned to the United States with new insight into the situation in Nicaragua. She also brought with her a number of artifacts that are on display in the library, near the card catalogue.

## Students Feel Unsafe

by Christine Wilson

Since school opened on September 3, many fights have been recorded in Fitchburg police log books, and most of these incidents involved FSC students and young Fitchburg residents.

There seems to be a lot of animosity between the young Fitchburg residents and the students of the college," explained Captain Lambert of the Fitchburg Police Department.

On Friday September 12, police were called to Myrtle Avenue after a dispute between FSC students and residents of Fitchburg. The students reported that the residents approached them with a knife. However, no arrests were made because the incident was not witnessed by the officers.

"I can understand that the police could not do anything, because it was just our word against theirs. But then a girl verbally threatened my life in front of the two officers, and still nothing was done. And I just can not understand that," explained one of the students involved, who wishes

to remain anonymous.

According to several students, incidents like this are not all that rare; however, most of the time they go unreported. In a recent poll, 90 percent of the students questioned felt unsafe walking from Campus Variety to the dorms after dark. When Lambert was faced with these statistics, he explained that no one should walk that area alone. "There are bad sections in every town and there is almost no solution to this universal problem. Even if we posted fifteen cars in one area, those people who want to cause problems would just move to another area, and we can not be every place at one time."

Lambert went on to explain that he feels that the majority of problems in the neighborhood stem from drinking. "Whenever a school cannot dorm all of its students, and they rent apartments within the neighborhoods, and have their parties, as well as the residents having their parties, problems are going to happen. One kid is going to have that one extra beer and say that one unnecessary comment and fights will start."

## Surf's Up

A beach party was held on the quad Saturday, Sept. 24. Despite the lack of sun, over a 100 students showed up to enjoy pools filled with warm water, putting greens, twister, and live music and comedy performed by Ray Boston. Ben and Jerry's ice cream was a featured attraction, with over 10 gallons of various flavors being consumed. Free coupons for pints were also given away to participants

in twister games and to brave swimmers. One swimmer dove in wearing jeans, then held his breath for 46 seconds to win a beach party t-shirt. The sunning area, complete with painted palm trees didn't get as much use as the dance area, but that wasn't surprising as the sky finally opened up and it began to pour. Despite the rain, a lot of people had a good time at the last beach party for this year.



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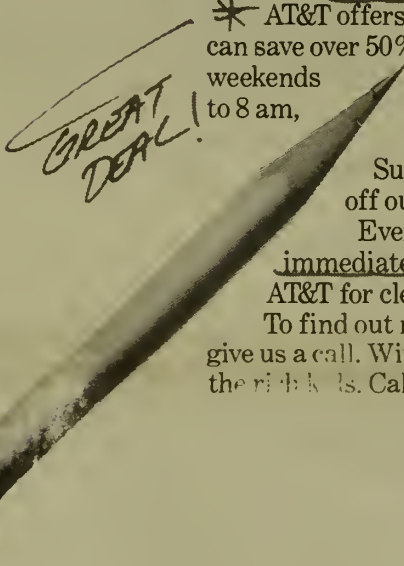
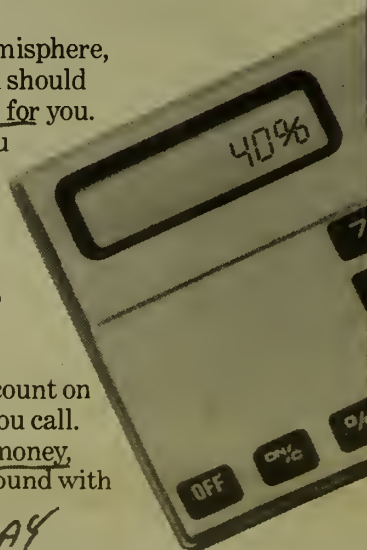
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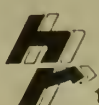


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This year's Esoteric officers are: President Rich Hanagan, Vice-President Tony Tremblay, Treasurer George Roberts, Secretary Carl Checkoway, Corresponding Secretary Ron Nickerson, Social Chairpersons Jim Hadley and Dave Pratt, Advisor Joe McAloon.

We will be sponsoring many college parties during the semester. On October 23 we will be sponsoring a Boston Comedy Night at Traxx America. Take note that it includes ages 17 and up and no alcohol will be served. We will also hold college parties at St. Bernards,

In other news, we are sponsoring a child from the Christian Children's Fund. Also, the brothers will take part in a softball game during Alumni Weekend against a group of recent FSC graduates/alumni. We are also slated to take part in the Ropes Course on October 25.

Jelly Bean Contest

The Business Office Staff congratulates the first and second prize winners in the Jelly Bean Contest held during the first week of school. A total of 158 students submitted guesses on the number of jelly beans in the jar, which totaled 959.

First place winner was John Vandale who came within four beans with a guess of 963. He was awarded a gift certificate to the college bookstore. Second place winner was Robert Trotta, who won the jar full of jelly beans with his guess of 973.

The Business Office staff is planning other surprises during the year in order to have the opportunity to meet more of the students, so keep an eye out for their posters.

Commuter's Board

Does your apartment have heat? Do all of your utilities work? Do you see your landlord when you have a problem or do you have to wait till the rent is due? If you have any problems, questions or concerns

about renting, please come to the Renter's Rights Seminar.

When: Oct. 21, 1986

Time: 8:00 pm

Where: Campus Center Lecture Hall

Speaker: Bill Riley, FSC Attorney

SAM

The Society for the Advancement of Management extends its sincere thanks to Mr. Dan Flynn, assistant to the president at FSC, for addressing our assembly on Thursday, October 2nd. The discussion, which centered on the "Importance of External Relations in Higher Education," was highly informative and interesting. Not only did we learn more about FSC's public relations, we also were enlightened with some truths of the business world.

SAM looks forward to hosting more guest speakers in the future and welcomes any suggestions for topics.

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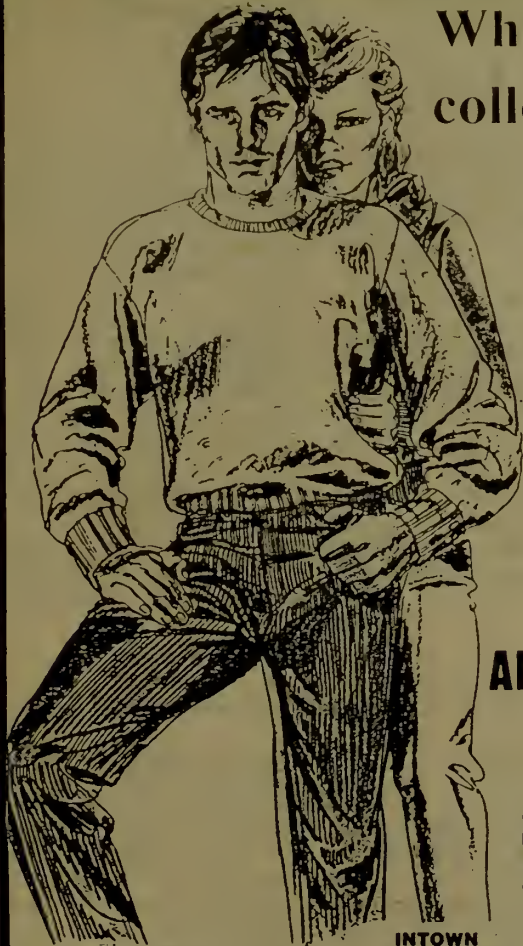
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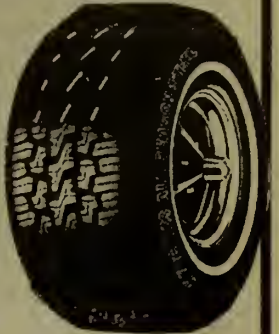
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# EDITORIALS

The Strobe encourages all readers to express their opinions on any issue.

## Snowjob in Iceland

by James G. Salsman

The Soviets have prevailed again. The US backed down and exchanged an American hostage for a Soviet spy, and with the Daniloff affair settled Mr. Reagan met this past weekend with Mr. Gorbachev in Iceland to "resolve" other differences.

No other American president has more thoroughly betrayed the cause of freedom. The Ronald Reagan who once advocated "military superiority" over the Soviets and a renunciation of the SALT II treaty is now prepared to sit down with the "evil empire" and strike another arms deal. In so doing, Mr. Reagan is betraying his pledge to America that he would actively meet and surpass the Soviet threat.

The Soviet threat is real. Any arms accord that dictates what our defense against them will be is detrimental to our security and potentially dangerous.

It is a mistake to think that Mr. Gorbachev wants peace with the West. His government blows innocent airliners out of the sky and refuses to apologize. His armies have occupied Afghanistan for seven years, and they continue to commit brutal atrocities against its people. His regime funnels arms to dictatorships in Cuba, Nicaragua, Ethiopia, South Yemen, Angola, and Libya. He makes a public commitment to arms control while violating the SALT I ABM treaty and key provisions of SALT II in order to pursue the greatest military buildup in history.

It is a moral tragedy that so many people choose to accept Gorbachev's peace overtures at face value. Any dictator who lies to his own people will not be ethically inclined to be truthful with the rest of the world.

It is wrong for Mr. Reagan to attend any summit meetings with Gorbachev because it promotes the fallacy that our two governments have common values and that dictators can be reasoned with. America ought not conduct any diplomacy with the government of the Soviet Union. This would not mean we declare war; it would simply demonstrate that America knows the true intentions of the Soviet regime, and that we will meet their threat not appease it.



# LETTERS

## Car Crime

To the Students,

During the first few weeks there have been many break-ins to student automobiles in the upper Cedar and North Street lots. The reported break-ins are occurring late at night, and during the early morning hours. The reasons for the break-ins are common, the criminals are stealing car stereos or other expensive equipment. This type of crime is not new to FSC but has steadily increased in the past few weeks.

Catching the criminals that cause the damages is often easier than one might think. If anyone sees anything that is out of the ordinary in these areas, don't hesitate to inform the

campus police. For example, a case where the perpetrator could have been caught occurred when a local neighbor saw a suspect breaking into a student's car in the North Street lot and when asked about it said, "I didn't want to get involved." This type of attitude must be changed if we are going to catch and prosecute these individuals.

However, there have been some encouraging situations where students have responded to this crime. On one occasion, students from the dorms saw individuals breaking into a car on north street and reported the situation to campus police. An officer was able to respond and the suspects

were apprehended and charges filed in city court. More of this type of involvement by students is needed to end the vandalism done to student automobiles. In most cases all it takes is a phone call.

We as students must be aware of this kind of crime that has made its way onto our campus. We must look out for each other's property. Anyone would be upset to find his car broken into and find out that someone saw it and did nothing about it. We are not alone in this fight, so we must all band together and rid our campus of this element of crime.

Sincerely,  
Dave McManus  
President, SGA

## Robertson

Mr. James G. Salsman:

I won't address you as "Dear James" because I can't believe anyone but your mother calling you that.

Your editorial on "Pat for President" (Vol. X, No. 2) was the most stupid and biased article I've ever read. I can tell by what you wrote that you never listened to Pat Robertson, but only wrote the things you did from a closed mind.

You're saying that having a godly man like Pat, who's a Bible believer, for a president would be very dangerous to our country; why, he believes in restoring prayer in our public schools...how that must strike terror in the hearts of people...praying to God. Americans, have you ever heard of anything more dangerous?

And Pat actually would like both creation and evolution taught in our

schools, so that open minds could choose for themselves the truth of God's creation, or the theory of evolution. Imagine how dangerous that is, giving each one the choice of truth versus error.

How about Pat's view on abortion? Isn't it too bad your mother didn't believe in abortion? Isn't it strange that you don't mention how really dangerous abortion is to our unborn babies? To you it's only dangerous to women who want to continue murdering their babies. To the sin of fornication they can add murder, according to you, a great method of birth control.

Young man, I'm going to give you some good advice; "Try God." If you don't like Him, you can be sure the devil will take you back.

Sincerely  
Mrs. Mildred Bernatchy

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# COMMENTARY

## Comedy Night Not Funny to Underaged



Photo by Tom Tremblay



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Comedians Doug Ferrare (left) and Jimmy Smith (right) performed for a SRO crowd in the Pub.

by Tina Boucher

On September 29th, the first comedy night was held in the Connection. I hear it was great, however I couldn't witness the event myself because by the time my part of the line got to the entrance, the seating

was full.

The cause is simple. From 8:00 pm until 9:00 pm, the Pub was open and served alcoholic beverages. Therefore, no one under the age of 21 was admitted until 9:15, which was fifteen minutes past the time the evening's event was scheduled to

start

The time delay was reason enough for some to turn around and go back, after all this was a 9:00 til 10:30 event, just a quick break from homework and studying with enough time to get last minute things done. But the biggest reason that many turned around was that they encountered a line reaching past the vending machines as soon as they entered the commuter's cafeteria. It seemed a waste of time to wait, since the Pub was already full of people, some admittedly saving seats for friends who were not allowed in yet.

The scheduling of when The Pub is actually The Pub serving alcohol and when it is The Connection for all ages is usually executed well, but I find that this scheduling is unjust. It's no news flash that there are more people under the drinking age than not on this campus. Comedy Night is an event that everyone enjoys and one which is successful. If it is to remain that way, I hope that the arrangements of when people who want to watch the show who are not of legal drinking age are admitted is changed so that we all can have the opportunity to enjoy the show.

## Strive, Develop, Learn

by John Churcher

A few years ago I was required for a class, to do an analysis of a quote that I felt had great meaning. The quote was based on three words, "strive," "develop," "learn." These are words which you will come to appreciate and better understand as you progress through your college years.

Below is the quote I chose, words of the famous German composer Ludwig Van Beethoven, and following his quote is my analysis.

*Then let us do what is right, strive with all our might toward the unattainable, develop as fully as we can the gifts God has given us, and never stop learning.*

The above quote epitomizes what we all should live for; the challenge and struggle of bettering ourselves to the highest attainable level.

We must constantly be striving for something to keep ourselves going. For when we have nothing to strive for we become lazy, and our innermost being becomes decrepit and weak. Striving breeds enthusiasm and motivation, which in turn breeds

a drive, a drive so powerful it can conquer almost anything.

Development of your God-given gifts is a must. You must let yourself flower and grow, for it is during this period that we realize what we have, and what we may become. The broader we develop, the more we understand, and our horizons are wider for success.

Learning is the food that enhances, expands, and perfects our mind. Learning helps us to develop what we have and what we know, and exposes us to what we don't have and don't know. There is never an end to learning. It is something we must constantly do to keep up with our environment. But if there comes a time when we put an end to learning, people and time will pass us by, and we will in turn, be putting an end to ourselves.

Strive toward your utmost goals, develop your God-given gifts, and hunger for knowledge. Take heed to these words, for in them you could find the key to finding a successful you.

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## The Army Life

by Carla West

On the morning of May 1, 1984, I found myself waiting for the final physical exam at an Army MEEPS station. This was going to be the final stop before going to the Army's initial entry course (basic training). Of course, I was not alone. There were a few hundred other women standing behind me. All I kept asking myself was, "why am I doing this?" I am sure this was a popular question with everyone that day. After completing basic training and advance individual training, I was assigned to an Army hospital. It was during this assignment that I decided to make a career out of the Army. I had actually come to love the military, but as an enlisted person, I found myself limited in my accomplishments. After looking at my options, I requested to be released from active duty in order to attend Army ROTC.

The Army ROTC program at FSC is an outstanding program. The program has taught me skills that will not only enhance my working with troops, but also help me grow as an individual. ROTC offers various programs such as rappelling and physical training. There are numerous courses offered every semester.

The question of why I joined the Army ROTC appears frequently in my conversations on campus. My answer is always the same. "I love the military." Of course, the reasons far outweigh the response. There is a special cohesiveness among the ROTC cadets at FSC, and it is this feeling that makes me glad that I was able to join the program. The ROTC program also offers something that is not written in any school catalog or found in any syllabus. That something is a sense of pride in our future endeavors of being able to serve as an officer, and to protect our great country.

## Thank You for Using AT&T

by Susan C. Foley

Phone frustrations. That's what I call them. For the past month I have been trying to get phone service to no avail. Anyone who has ever had a phone in their apartment before knows how hard it is to get one turned on, especially if last year's roommate still owes money. Even after they have paid, the phone company must torture you for waiting so long to pay.

"Hello, may I help you?"

"Yes, I would like to get my phone turned on." She asks me if I've ever had service before. No, I haven't.

"What is your name, and do you have any roommates?" As soon as she finds out I'm a college student she

must put me on hold for twenty minutes, and search through her files for my name, and any delinquent roommates I have. After what seems an eternity she returns.

"Sorry." Sorry? What does she mean by sorry? "One of your roommates has an outstanding bill." But it can't be true. That bill was paid two weeks ago. "Sorry. It hasn't cleared with our computers yet." So what. The bill has been paid. "Call back tomorrow."

Okay. So I call back tomorrow, the next day, and the next day. "Your phone will be turned on Thursday." Thursday comes and goes. I pick up my phone several times to hear nothing. No dial tone. No one on the other end of the line. Not even a busy signal.

People are becoming impatient. "So what's your number?" "Where can I reach you?" "How come you never call?" I explain my dilemma. "They can't do that to you!" Well, I guess they can because my phone isn't ringing.

I call them back. "Next Wednesday definitely." As I rush excitedly to the phone Wednesday morning, I pick it up and hear nothing. That was yesterday.

Today I opened my door to find a pamphlet staring at me. The phone company sent it. I have just learned that I have two free weeks of special services such as call waiting and speed calling. Great. Now if they'd only hook up my phone so I could use them.



# ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT

## New Boston Release Album Review

by Robert O'Grady

Yes, it is true. The new Boston album, *Third Stage*, is finally in the stores following the group's six year hiatus from the music world. The new Boston is powered by Brad Delp on lead vocals, Tom Scholz on lead guitar, Gary Pihl on rhythm guitar, and Jim Masdea on drums. This album soundly announces the band's arrival into the 1980's. After six years of long delays and contractual disputes, *Third Stage* has been released silencing the critics who said the

album would never be completed.

This album uses no synthesizers or orchestral instruments which is a remarkable achievement because of the sound quality and diversity of the selections. Brad Delp said, "We are a straight forward rock band without any outside enhancements." The result is the album's traditional sound, which is represented by the two other albums.

"Amanda" is the first release and is reminiscent of their smash hit, "More Than A Feeling." Both are intensely driven love songs of enor-

mous compassion. The next single is "We Are Ready," a familiar Boston rocking song, and next is an instrumental track entitled, "The Launch," relating to the album's *Third Stage* theme. The other songs include another instrumental, and eight probable hits. "I Think I Like It," and "Can'tcha Say," are the best singles on the second side, and certainly will dominate the airwaves for many months. Now that Boston fans have been rewarded with *Third Stage*, maybe the band will not wait until 1993 to finish the fourth album.

## Same Old "Crime Story"

by Allen Bush

First take the most successful cops and robbers show from last season — "Miami Vice." So the fact that the show has been ripped off won't be easily recognized, base all aspects on opposites; instead of hiring good looking actors, hire ugly, repulsive ones. Instead of setting the show in the 1980's at a beach resort, put it in the middle of a huge city during the 1950's. Instead of running current popular music, play fifties music as vintage sedans and Chevys race through the streets.

Put all these ingredients together and you've created the new series "Crime Story," a show with a bunch of regular cops chasing regular bad guys and speaking cute dialogue. Example: "Hey," the ugly chief asks his pregnant but plain wife, "what if the kid comes out looking like me?"

"I guess he'll have to learn to shave," she answers. "But what if it's a girl?" he responds. "Then we'll have to hide the mirrors," she says.

"Crime Story's" appearance is as slick as its mentor's. The cars are exquisitely vintage, the juke boxes glow fluorescently, and the props are fashionably art-deco. Even the little things like checkered cigarette lighters and velvet collared smoking jackets look as realistic as my "Happy Days" knowledge of that time period goes.

The acting is cool, as any portrayal of a flat-foot should be. Their looks aren't perfect but once viewers get used to the scars, lumps, and crevices, they'll realize these guys look just like their local cops. Watch for the chief to become a sex symbol. In these days of trends, ugly is one that has yet to hit, but "Crime Story" should help to make it hip.

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## Campus Cooking Corner

Hot Spiced Cider Halloween is coming up, and it's likely to be a chilly one. To keep your friends happy and warm while wandering around dressed in scanty costumes, keep a cauldron of this simmering on the back burner. Start by pouring apple cider into the pot and turning the heat up to a slow boil. Quarter an orange, squish the juice and pulp into the pot, then throw the rind in to add its flavor too. Add 2T whole cloves, 4T crushed allspice, 4T broken cinnamon sticks and (optional) 1T crystalized ginger per half gallon

cider. Once the mixture begins to boil, turn the heat down and keep warm. It will take at least fifteen minutes for the flavors to spread through the liquid, but after that you will just need to add more cider as the supply shrinks, and more spices from time to time. Pour into mugs or hot drinks cups and add one whole cinnamon stick per cup to stir with. Add cran/raspberry juice for variety, or serve some chilled with soda water. Any leftovers will keep well in the refrigerator, and can be used as starter for your next batch.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1986

LIP SYNC CONTEST: 7pm, Percival Auditorium.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1986

CLEP & NURSING EXAMS: 8:30am, Percival 1st floor. FIELD HOCKEY: Simmons College, 11am, home. MEN'S X-COUNTRY: MASCAC, 12pm, home. WOMEN'S X-COUNTRY: MASCAC, home. FOOTBALL: Framingham State College, 1pm, home. VOLLEYBALL: Wheaton College, 1pm, home. FILM: "Which Way Is Up?", 3:30, 7 & 9:15pm, CCLH.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1986

PIANIST: Paul Leavitt, 3pm, CM-150. COFFEEHOUSE: Mark Rust, 8pm, Union Stop Pub.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1986

PERFORMING ARTS TICKET SALES: begin today for The Masterplayers Chamber Orchestra, 9am-4pm, Information Desk, today through 10/30. COMEDY NIGHT: 9pm, Union Stop Pub.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1986

CPR CLASS - PART 2: 6pm, G-06, pre-registration required. FIELD HOCKEY: Framingham State College, 4pm, home. SGA MEETING: 6:30pm, G-04. RENTERS RIGHTS SEMINAR: Bill Riley, 7:30pm, CCLH.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1986

FILM: "Dirty Harry," 3:30, 7 & 9:15pm, CCLH. MILLER ANALOGIES TEST: 6pm, Science Lecture Hall. VISITING ARTIST & LECTURER SERIES SPEAKER: Dr. Attiat Ott, 8pm, CM-150.

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OCTOBER 20 at 9pm TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21 at 4:30pm WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22 at  
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# Dorm

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Dan Flynn, assistant to the president for development, said there are 950 to 1,000 students who rent apartments in the college neighborhood. A new residence hall would lower that number by 300 and reduce congestion in the neighborhood.

Students would benefit because renting in the hall would be less expensive than renting apartments.

The proposed hall would be co-ed and would have a townhouse appearance. The rooms would be double occupancy with a kitchen for each cluster of rooms. Occupancy would be geared toward sophomores and freshmen, but upperclassmen are welcome.

The only snag in the proposal is the proposed site. Ideally, President Vincent Mara would like to build the hall on Highland Avenue in the unpaved parking lot across from the Sanders Building. However, the plan would include some land acquisition.

The college owns the parking lot and a lot behind that space on Cedar Street. However, the college would need land adjacent to these lots to meet city specifications, according to Mara.

The MSCBA can only take land from a willing seller because residence hall construction does not fall into eminent domain provisions, in which land can be acquired without the owner's approval.

If homeowners on Highland Avenue are not willing to sell their land, Mara said he will have to look into the Mrtyle Avenue area.

"I don't want to get into that," said Mara referring to the potential expense and current neighborhood problems there.

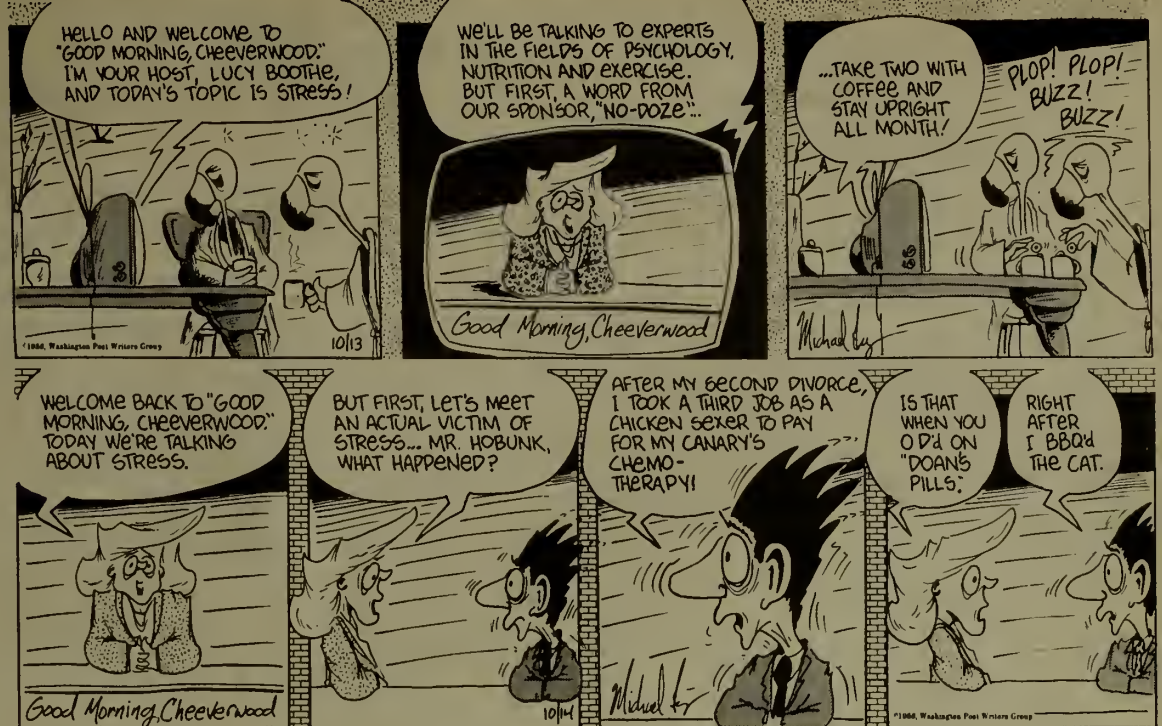
In addition to a new residence hall, the bond would provide finances for repairs and renovations of existing facilities. According to Vickers, Aubuchon Hall would receive \$385,000 and Herlihy Hall would receive \$233,000. He hopes the repairs could begin in the fall of 1987.

An athletic center on the John Fitch Highway may also be built by 1989 if the state approves a \$800 million grant to 28 colleges and universities including FSC.

## COMICS

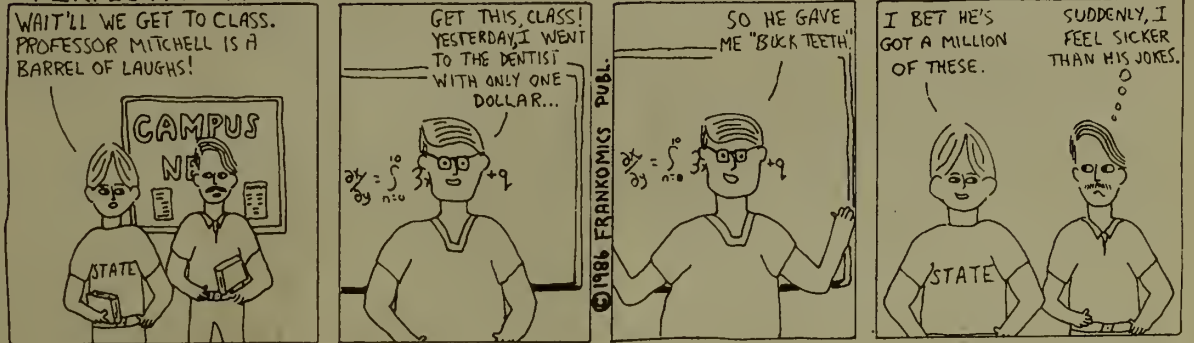
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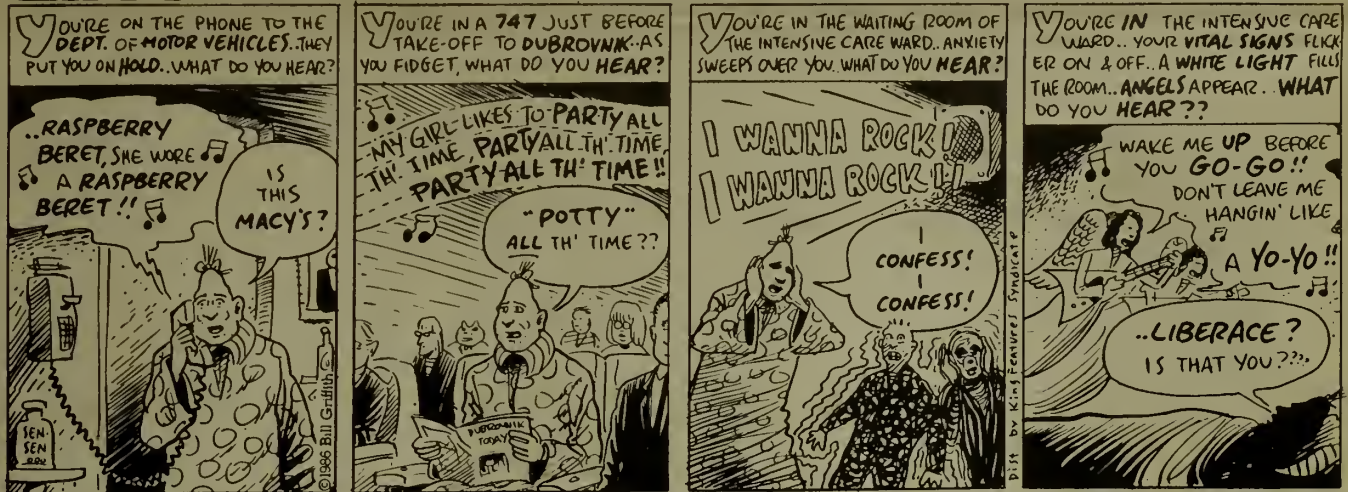
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### "THE ROCK 'N' ROLL-IZATION OF EVERYTHING"

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# SPORTS

## Women's CC Shines at Amherst

by Brian Riley

A balanced attack by the Fitchburg State women's cross country team carried them to a second place finish at the Amherst College Invitational held last Saturday. Smith College, acknowledged to be one of the area's finest cross country squads, finished ahead of them with a total of 49 points. Directly behind Smith were the Lady Falcons with 54 pts., followed by Westfield State (62), Williams College (104), Amherst College (137), Mt. Holyoke (169), and North Adams State (173).

Junior Kim Bresnahan could be overcome by nobody. She finished the day number one overall with a time of 18 minutes 17 seconds. To top it all off, Bresnahan took a wrong turn and was headed off course as a Westfield State Owl, who knew the course, said nothing to her. Eventually Bresnahan realized what was going on, got back on track, turned on the afterburners, and was not to be denied.

Coach Jellison could find no wrong with the ladies' performance, "We ran exceptionally well, we had our next six runners (2 thru 7) all within one minute of each other, which

gives us a strong balance." Finishing second and third for FSC (11th & 12th overall) were co-captains Gail Ierardi, clocked at an impressive 19:15, and Chris DiZoglio only four seconds behind at 19:19. Also perfecting the Amherst trail within the one minute span were Theresa Rotolante at 19:37 (14th overall), senior co-captain Alison Vogt at 19:39 (16th overall), freshman Linda Dennis at an even 20:00 (22nd overall) and junior Kim Manzi coming in at 20:11 (24th overall). Dennis has been nursing a sprained ankle and ran her first race of the

year. Other runners complimenting Coach Jellison's attack were Tina Fryc (21:40), Angela Benoit (21:46), Barbara McManus (22:02) and Lori Eckland (23:30). Winding up second to Smith College didn't really concern Jellison too much; he had accomplished what he set out to do. "Smith is one of the top teams around. But we had a main goal, and that was to beat Westfield," he said. They did. Later in the week, the ladies skunked the University of Lowell 15-50, your basic perfect score. The top eight runners all represented Fitchburg State. They were again led

by Kim Bresnahan, followed in order by Chris DiZoglio and Gail Ierardi. Behind the co-captains was a four way draw for 4th place which included Theresa Rotolante, Alison Vogt, Angela Benoit and Kim Manzi. Linda Dennis rounded out the top eight. Coach Jellison simply wanted to run a relaxed race, "We didn't know if Lowell was good, bad, or indifferent, so we just wanted to run and be under control. We're really gearing up for the MASCAC." The annual MASCAC confrontation between all Massachusetts state colleges will be held at noon this Saturday, October 18th at home.

## Gridders Drop Fourth Straight

by Andy Baron

These days, FSC football may be mistaken for a weekly drama called "Chock-full-of-Questions." There are no heroes in the drama; just frustrated athletes who perform every Saturday. The storyline revolves around a head coach who is flanked by assistants and players. Together, they make up a drama team that may be fast losing its audience. "We've hit a real rut in our program," said FSC head coach Dave Secino, following host Maine Maritime's 46-21 shellacking of the Falcons on October 4. "It means a lot to the players that we improve and I'd hate to see it (the football program) go backwards," he continued. FSC, 0-4, is still looking to chalk up its second victory in Division III play. "We just didn't play good defense," said Defensive Coordinator Tom

Crank. "Different people were breaking down on each play." Unfortunately, the Falcons lost defensive back Dave Lambert early in the game. Lambert, FSC's leading tackler and interceptor, suffered a slight concussion in the first half but was expected back for last Saturday's WNEC matchup. If it's any consolation, FSC registered its first ever defensive touchdown when junior lineman Phil Baron blocked a punt in the third quarter and recovered it in the end zone. The Fitchburg defense was burned for 442 total offensive Maine yards. In contrast, FSC netted just 149 total yards. Offensively, the Falcons drowned. Bernie Buckley, Fitchburg's Offensive Coordinator, saw the Falcons commit six turnovers in the first half. "I'd say our best effort offensive performer was John Jangro," said Buckley. Jangro, a junior fullback, ran for 38 yards on eight carries.

Freshman halfback Richard Joyce scored FSC's first TD in the third quarter from one yard out. After Baron scored minutes later in the third, Joyce capped the Falcons scoring with a 15-yard, fourth quarter touchdown reception from sophomore Brian Ludwig. The Mariners scored in every quarter and had FSC shut out at halftime, 33-0. With Joe Becker's two, two-yard scores and Pete DeGraff's TD receptions of 33 and 15 yards leading the way, the Falcons were left defenseless; literally. "I thought they were a team we could've handled," said linebacker coach Chris Clemente. "We're going to have to work on our fundamentals because there were a lot of mistakes along our alignments." Defensive back coach Craig Chalifoux echoed Clemente's comments. "It's a matter of going back to the drawing board and working on our fundamentals," said Chalifoux.

"We were exploited on the pass and the run," he said. "We're making a ton of mistakes," added Secino. "We're making mental errors and we just can't compensate because we're not all that big, strong

or fast." Now, for FSC, it's not only a question of when they'll win next but a question of how much longer they can tolerate their own weekly drama.

## Soccer Team Victorious

by Denise Connors

Sophomore goalie Bob Jacobs was credited with his fourth shut-out when FSC defeated Clark University 2-0. Goal scorers were Jimmy Kramer and Dan Travaglini. Mike Travaglini aided the scoring with two assists. "It was a real big win against fourth ranked Clark," said head coach Malcolm MacPherson. "I'm happy with the way we played and I'm glad we were able to win." The Falcons enjoyed their second shut-out of the week by blanking Anna Maria 7-0. Sophomore goalie Jeff Bilotta enjoyed his first shut-out for the season and Andy Kramer scored his second hat-trick. Jimmy Kramer, Mike Phipps, Steve Tieri,

and Jason McCallum were credited with one goal each. "We were clearly the better team and we showed it by the number of goals we scored," commented MacPherson. Alumni weekend proved to be disappointing for the team when they were defeated by Salem State College 2-1 for their second loss this season. George Malone was the lone scorer for the Falcons. "I'm disappointed about the loss but we played well considering Salem State is ranked number one in our division," stated MacPherson. "The team showed a lot of character and determination by tying the game with four minutes remaining. I'm very proud of the way the team played."

## Volleyball Team Struggles

by Benjamin Hampton

Coach Bob Murray's volleyball squad was still trying to get on the winning track when they played in the Salem State Invitational. Unfortunately, they lost every match they played, finishing off with an 0-7 mark. But that record is deceiving. FSC had to go up against the team that won the tournament (E.Conn.) and a team that is ranked 4th in the nation (MIT). Junior Mary Spang, who was named to the all tournament team, remarked that the tournament was "a great learning experience."

The Lady Falcons must have learned something as they split a doubleheader with Merrimack and Assumption. After a match against Merrimack where the team seemed to stall and sputter throughout and lost two games to none (15-3, 15-6), Spang and company settled down and beat Assumption by the same two games to none score (15-13, 15-9). The team played a well-rounded game, using teamwork effectively to keep Assumption on their toes and diving on the floor. Both games were won on aces, Lisa Sherman in game one and Maureen O'Brien providing the finishing blow in game two.

## Harriers Place Third

by Brian Riley

Fitchburg's men's cross country represented itself respectably at the Amherst College Invitational which recently took place. The Falcons completed the event by placing a strong third. They were bettered only by Westfield State and the hometown reps from Amherst. Senior co-captain Jeff Wilson led FSC placing 7th overall. Sophomore Carl Hickey and freshman Ken Millette followed Wilson as they nailed 12th and 13th respectively. Rounding out the Falcon top five were junior co-captain Barry Diamond (18th overall) and frosh

Scott Broulitt (19th overall). Coach Richard Demetrius targeted Westfield as the team to conquer for upcoming meets, the MASCAC (Massachusetts All State College) contest for one. "We ran pretty well for this time of year," explained Demetrius. "Right now we're takin' it easy and looking to peak at the MASCAC." He continued by stressing his top priorities for the season, "We're mainly concentrating on winning the MASCAC and qualifying for the Nationals." The MASCAC event will be held on FSC's home turf on Saturday, October 18th at noon.

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